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## NEW ARAB ALIGNMENT?

SINCE formation of the United Arab Republic by Egypt and Syria and the union of Jordan and Iraq into the Arab Federal State there has been considerable speculation as to possible alignment of the other Arab States in the Persian Gulf.

Linked with uncertainty over future moves by the Saudi Government was the question of the position of the two oil-rich sheikdoms of Kuwait and Bahrain, both of which have treaty relations with Britain.

Under the treaties both countries have undertaken never to cede or lease any part of their territory to any foreign power. It was understandable, therefore, when it was announced that plans were afoot for Federation of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Bahrain, that reaction in Britain was one of surprise. The Foreign Office has denied all knowledge of any such proposal.

### Puzzling

WHAT is most puzzling is the denial by the Bahrain Government of Federation discussions. It is puzzling because the original statement came from the uncle and chief adviser of the Ruler.

It is difficult to understand why the chief adviser of the State, even though he has been absent from his country for a while, should be misinformed as Sheikh Mohammed Al Khalifa appears to have been.

Even with the denial from Bahrain, the possibility of exploratory talks on Federation while Bahrain's Ruler was in Saudi Arabia should not be overlooked; it is quite possible that Sheikh Mohammed spoke out of turn.

Whatever the truth, the situation will be closely watched from London as any alignment of the protected territories with the Republic, Federal State or with Saudi Arabia is certain to have widespread political and economic repercussions for Britain.

## Basic Issues At Pre-Summit Conference

Washington, Mar. 2. President Eisenhower will hold out for a pre-summit Foreign Ministers' conference with authority of "talk turkey" when he meets the Soviet Ambassador, Mikhail A. Menshikov, tomorrow, it was learned today.

## SINGAPORE SHIPS FOR INVASION?

Singapore, Mar. 3. The Straits Times claimed today that a fleet of Singapore freighters in the Rho Islands were likely to be commanded by the Indonesian Government for use as military landing craft.

The Rho Islands lie between Singapore and Sumatra. The Times said the ships were moored at Tanjung Pinang, main port of the group.

According to the paper, the Indonesian Government wanted the ships to carry troops to the coast of rebel Central Sumatra.

About 24 ships among the Rho Islands had been earmarked for use as transports, and many of them were Singapore-owned.

### COASTERS

They were most of them small coasters, of from 50 to 80 tons.

According to the Times, Indonesian officials had passed the word that they wanted the ships at a cocktail party in Tanjung Pinang.

Reports reaching here say the rebel regime expects an invasion to be launched at Central Sumatra from the Rho Islands, and that rebel troops have been assigned to coast defence duties.—Reuter.

The President and the Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, scheduled an 11 a.m. meeting at the White House with Mr. Menshikov to discuss Russia's latest bid for a chief-of-state meeting as soon as possible.

Russia proposed on Friday, in notes to several nations, that their Foreign Ministers meet within two months to determine the agenda, time, place and participants of a summit conference.

Talk on the agenda would be restricted to setting it up.

### Forward

Some diplomats said the proposal appeared to be a move forward, others said it was not much.

Diplomats said the United States was expected to hold out for pre-summit meetings that would "talk turkey" on such basic issues as disarmament and unification of Germany.

Otherwise, they stressed, a summit meeting could be used by Russia as merely a propaganda show.—United Press.

### At Eureka

Melbourne, Mar. 2. Thousands of people today welcomed Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother, to the picturesque former gold mining centre of Ballarat, set in what is now pastoral country 74 miles from here.

The Royal visitor spent an hour and a half in the historic city where armed gold miners, resisting the prospecting laws a century ago, fought British troops in the Eureka stockade.—United Press.

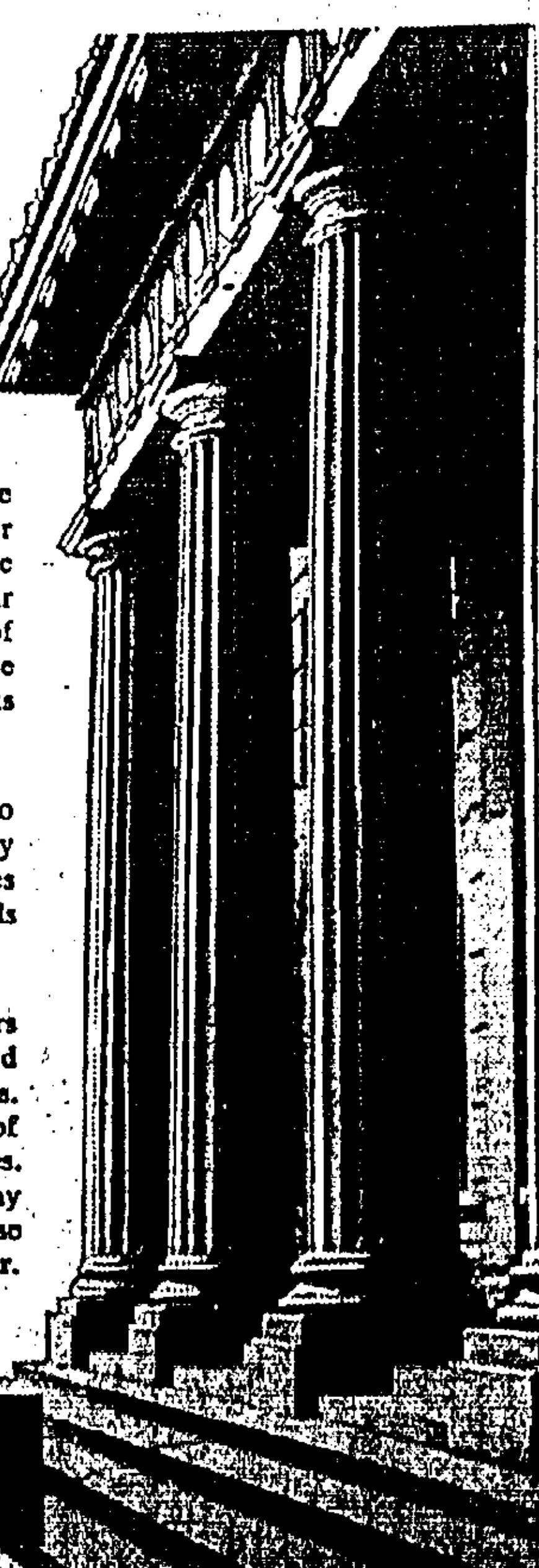
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## The Great Depression Is Here Says US Senator

New York, Mar. 2. Senator George Malone said today that the greatest depression in history was underway, thanks to New York bankers.

Mr. Malone, in a filmed and recorded appearance on Edward R. Murrow's "See It Now" CBS television show, said: "If there's any city in the United States more dangerous to the United States of America than Washington, D.C., it's New York."

When Mr. Murrow asked why, Senator Malone replied:

### SEE ASIA

"Because they're all internationalists. They build those buildings so high over there, you know, that they can see the nations of Europe and Asia easier than they can those little States west of the Hudson River."

"...So you have your nice clubs, and you have your bankers—you have everything and you just think you're doing well, but you're riding for a fall, and while they're making those windows in those buildings harder to climb out of, you'll get out all right when this hits you."

"When what hits us?" asked Mr. Murrow. "The greatest depression in history," replied Senator Malone. "It's started now."

### AGAINST IT

Senator Malone said suggestions had been made that New York should be thrown out of the Union, but he was against it.

"I just say don't let 'em run the United States."

He said a President must be elected without New York support so that "everything" would not be done for New York's benefit.—United Press.

## Guatemala's New President

Guatemala City, Mar. 2. General Miguel Ydígoras Fuentes was sworn in as the new President of Guatemala today.

Ydígoras Fuentes, who last week visited President Eisenhower in Washington, said in his acceptance speech that during his visit to the United States "I expressed Guatemala's gratitude for the generous help received from that great country, leader of the democratic world, and received assurances that such aid will continue until Communism is definitely uprooted from our soil."

Col. Guillermo Flores Avedano, who was acting president for the last few months, handed the presidency to Ydígoras Fuentes after reading a message on the state of the nation, stressing the good economic footing of Guatemala.—United Press.

## The Goons Defend Royal Dignity At Tiddly Winks

Cambridge, Mar. 1. The Duke of Edinburgh's chosen champion for a challenge match of tiddly winks went down to defeat today at the hands of the Cambridge University Tiddly Wink Club.

Despite a last-minute message of encouragement from the Duke.

The Royal champion—Britain's "Goonie" comellane, the "Goonie," played their mightiest, but lost by 120% points to 50% points.

A pregame message from the Duke of Edinburgh said he had hoped to join his champion, but "while practising secretly I pulled an important muscle in the second or third joint of my winking finger."

## NASSER FLAYS HASHEMITE FEDERATION

Damascus, Mar. 2. President Nasser of Egypt renewed his attack on the Iraqi-Jordanian federation today by charging that it was backed "by imperialism and Zionism."

It was the President's third blast at the newly-formed Hashemite union since he arrived here last week.

He also announced jointly with the Yemen's Foreign Minister, Mohammed Saif el Islam el Badr, the Yemen's decision to join the rival Egyptian-Syrian republic.

London, Mar. 3. The Labour Party will today try to censure the Conservative Government on the operation of its new rent act, which the opposition fears will lead before the end of the year to mass eviction of tenants.

The act ends rent control and security of tenure for more than 800,000 houses and flat dwellers. According to local socialist and other estimates it will cause 10,000 evictions in London alone by October.

Some Government supporters are so concerned about this possibility that a group of Conservative MPs, estimated to total 40, has asked the Government to receive a deputation to discuss the matter.

The Government is against revising the act, believing it will prevent houses becoming lost through dilapidation and that it gives the landlords justice because rents were "frozen" at 1914 or 1939 levels.—China Mail Special.

## NEW PLANS TO END EMERGENCY

Penang, Mar. 2. The Malayan Prime Minister, Tongku Abdul Rahman, said today he had now plans to end the Communist emergency by his target date of August 31.

"But I can only announce them later," he said.

The Tongku said he would soon be meeting the Minister for Defence, Dato Abdul Razak, to discuss the new terms agreed upon with the Thai Government for joint operations against terrorists on the Thail-Malayan border.

He said he could not confirm or deny a report that the Government was training a special force for use against terrorists on the border.

Dato Abdul Razak said last week there were about 700 hard-core terrorists in the border area.

They are believed to be led by the head of the Malayan Communist Party, Chin Peng.—Reuter.

## FUCHS AND PARTY TOAST OF BRITAIN

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## France Mustn't Misuse US Military Aid, He Says

Washington, Mar. 2. Eric Johnston, head of a citizen's drive for the embattled Foreign Aid Programme, said today he hoped the US would make "unmistakably clear" to France that it must not misuse U.S. military aid.

He also described as a "good idea" that Adlai E. Stevenson's recent suggestion that Russia be invited to team up with the United States in extending foreign aid to underdeveloped nations.

Johnston, who appeared on the ABC-TV show, "College News Conference," was questioned about the use of American-donated planes in a recent French bombing attack against a Tunisian town adjoining revolt-torn Algeria.

## CLEAR?

He replied that he believed the State Department should make it "unmistakably clear" to France that planes and other military equipment supplied under the Mutual Security Programme should be used only for defensive purposes.

At the same time, he said the Tunisian bombing was an example of the "difficult dilemma" faced by the United States in its attempts to oppose colonialism while at the same time supporting "old friends in Europe."

The State Department disclosed last week—after a public statement by a top official forced its hand—that France used U.S.-donated Corsair fighter planes in the raid. It said the incident was "under discussion with the French government."

Johnston was obviously fearful that the bombing episode would throw near foodblocks in the path of the President's aid proposals which already face rough going in Congress.

Asked about Stevenson's proposal to co-ordinate foreign aid with Russia, Johnston said the idea was "worth exploring." He said it would test whether Russia sincerely wanted to help other peoples or merely wanted to use foreign aid to "make new satellites."—United Press.

## No Visitors For Nuclear Sub

London, Mar. 2. The American nuclear-powered submarine Skate will spend five days at Portland, Southern England, after her arrival there next Wednesday, the United States Embassy said today.

The Skate, newest and third of the American Navy's nuclear-powered submarines, left New London, Connecticut on February 24 on her shakedown cruise across the Atlantic.

Somewhat smaller than the Nautilus, which visited British ports last year, the Skate displaces 2,100 tons and is 227 feet in length. The Nautilus displaces 3,100 tons and is 310 feet in length.

The Skate's complement is nine officers and 88 men. General visiting aboard the ship will not be allowed in keeping with the policy regarding nuclear-powered submarines.—United Press.

## Neutral Austria

Vienna, Mar. 2. Austrian Chancellor Julius Raab reaffirmed his country's policy of strict neutrality in his bi-monthly broadcast to the Austrian people today.

Austria wants to follow a "completely personal foreign policy," the Chancellor declared. "We have not the least intention of belonging to a bloc of neutrals, a bloc of the blocless or to any other bloc."—France-Presse.

## 10,000 May Be Without Jobs

Company here have started a strike which may close the firm's three car and tractor works and throw 10,000 men out of work. Standard announced last week that they were closing three plants today for maintenance jobs which have not been done since the maintenance men imposed an overtime ban four weeks ago, when they were refused a raise.

The company wanted only about 300 of 500 maintenance men in today, but their spokesman said there was enough work for all, and since they had not all been called in, none would work the day shift.

Standard replied that all maintenance arrears must be done before production resumes.

For the third weekend about 70 office staff and bosses shovelled coal to keep the boilers going, although they did not have to work so hard this time because the works was closing today.

The original claim was for another 30 shillings a week, but the management say the men already receive 9d to 1/3d an hour over the average local rate.—China Mail Special.

## Poland's Red Party Crisis Drags On

Warsaw, Mar. 2. The crisis in Poland's Communist Party dragged on today as the Politburo went into a prolonged session after three days of stormy discussion in the Central Committee.

The Politburo meeting opened at 1200 hours local time today after the Central Committee ended its session early this morning, with the expulsion of an old-line Stalinist who had launched a violent attack on the policies of the Party leader, Wladyslaw Gomulka.

The meeting of the Politburo was expected to continue well into the evening.

## COUNTER-ATTACK

Witold Klociewicz, who headed the attack of the so-called "Natalin Group" on Gomulka and his policies, was thrown out of the Committee after a strong counter-attack by

There was no information available on either Gomulka's epoch or the vote by which Klociewicz was 73 against with eight abstentions.

The Deputy Prime Minister, Zenon Nowak, one of those who had joined Klociewicz in his attack, was sick and not able to attend the session.

Hilary Chelochowski, Stanislaw Lapot, Boleslaw Rymkiewicz, Witold Jozwiak, Ryszard Matoszewski and Kazimierz Milakowski, members of the Natalin Group, refused to take a stand when Gomulka put the matter to a vote.

What action was planned against all those who joined Klociewicz in his revolt could not be learned immediately.

However, in his attack, Klociewicz charged that the positions of both the country and the Party had been worsened by Gomulka's liberal policies.

The others expanded on this charge yesterday and Klociewicz returned to the attack later with the accusation that Gomulka had betrayed the principles of Communism as laid down at the celebration in Moscow last November of the 40th anniversary of the Russian revolution.

The crisis in the Central Committee developed on Friday without any advance warning.

The agenda for the meeting included only an economic report by Stefan Jodzynkowski, chairman of the Party's planning commission, and Party sources had speculated that the only arguments likely would be over the "verification" or re-validation of Party membership.—United Press.

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CABLE  
BRIEFS

## LANDING ON THE MOON? DIFFICULTIES DISCUSSED

## A Space-Man By 1963: Von Braun

Alcohol: Russia's Enemy No. 1

WE DRINK TOO  
MUCH!  
—KHRUSHCHEV

Moscow, March 2.

Drunkenness today attained the position of public enemy number one in the Soviet Union.

The government newspaper Izvestia, echoing remarks against too much drinking by Communist Party leader Nikita S. Khrushchev, urged more temperance propaganda to change the nation's drinking habits.

Dr Lida Bogdanovich, writing in Izvestia, said 60 per cent of all accidents and 70 per cent of all crimes in the Soviet Union were the result of drunkenness.

The doctor charged that drinking has become fashionable among students and that vodka was sold illegally to minors in Moscow stores.

## "REAL MEN"

Some parents even give their children wine so they will grow up to become "real men," Dr Bogdanovich charged.

She sharply criticised movie and TV producers for showing persons sitting at tables "always with bottles."

One would think that our public, the Soviet propagandist trade unions and Komsomol (the Youth Movement) should declare decisive and constant struggle against this old custom which is incompatible with Communist morality and which inflicts huge damage to the people's health and Socialist society.

So, with a half-moon reflecting off luminous breakers rolling up on the black sands and with the Southern Cross over our left shoulder, we all sat down along several miles of the beach and waited for the free show.

All along the horizon lights from scores of fishing boats bobbed and flashed. Off to the left the beach curved into a knob of land. For the headquarters of a revolution the mood of the night was hardly fitting with a serious shooting situation.

## FABULOUS

The captain of the Gadja Mada — everybody in Padang knows his name is John Lee and that he is quite a fabulous fellow — had ambitiously advertised he was going to have a little gunnery practice that night.

So everybody came to watch. They came by foot, by car, by horsecar, oxcart and bicycles. It never occurred to most that, under the circumstances, he could have started churning up the beach with high explosive shells.

So we sat in the moonlight and watched.

With heartening suspicion the military sent several ranks of armored cars and machinegun vehicles along the coast just in case of any unwarranted hanky-panky. But at the suggestion of the crowd they shut off their motors and kept fairly quiet, making for a nice-night on the shore.

John Lee's show got off a little late. The crowd was getting a little surly. Finally he began arching shells over the fishing boats and over Padang itself.

In the course of a lousy hour and a half there were seven of them. Not really a fireworks display. But all agreed that in the circumstances it was adequate. The crowd remained on the beach until 10:30 — the latest night Padang has observed for some time. —United Press.

Frozen Bodies Of Two  
Children Found

Paris, Mar. 2.

The bodies of two young children, three-year-old Joseph Manzini and his two-year-old brother Marius, were found under a light covering of snow near the village of Concoeur, Burgundy, today, after almost five days of searching.

The little boys disappeared on Tuesday evening.

Today a farm labourer with his dog, who joined in searching the region near the village, spotted the red sweater of little Marius half-covered with snow.

He discovered the child's body, face downward in the snow, not far from the forest.

His father, a woodcutter, was working on the day the children disappeared.

Other searchers were alerted and found the body of the older boy nearby.

It was thought the children were trying to reach their father when they were overcome by the bitterly cold weather and collapsed. —United Press.

## No Comment

Cologne, Mar. 2.

Emilia Soraya's Court Chamberlain said tonight he cannot comment on reports the Spanish Royal Couple are planning a separation to be followed by divorce.

"I cannot give any information," His Excellency Moushine Chavvalious said. —United Press.

Portuguese  
Colony  
In US  
'Segregated'Another American  
Satellite  
Next MonthBath-Time In The  
Jungle

London, Mar. 2.  
A man will definitely be put into outer space within the next five years, Dr Werner von Braun, America's top rocket scientist, said in an interview tonight on British television.

He also disclosed that America's second satellite would be launched before the end of April. Dr Braun, the brain behind Germany's V2, rockets of the last war, was being interviewed in Washington by Robin Day for Independent Television News.

Asked why the US was behind Russia in launching a satellite, Dr Braun said:

"We decided in this country not to use military rockets to fire our satellites for the International Geophysical Year, because this was strictly a scientific programme and it was felt by the Department of Defense and by the scientific community at first that a special rocket should be developed to support the scientific programme."

Dr Braun added: "Now the Russians didn't do that. They used military rockets right from the beginning and that's why they beat us."

"We know how to build satellites and bigger satellites than the Russians do, but there is a difference in the momentum of the Russian rocket and missile and satellite programme than ours."

Dr Braun, who put America's satellite "Explorer" into orbit, was asked about its progress.

He said that one of the transmitters on it was good for about two to three months, and it was still going strong.

Asked if satellite No. 2 would be substantially the same he said: "The objective of the test is the same, but there are several improvements in the equipment."

Dr Braun said: "Especially we have a tape recorder in our number two, which will permit us to collect cosmic ray information, not only while we are in optical line of sight from the ground station with which we are communicating, but also the other side of the earth, which we record on tape and then play it back."

He said that it was not planned to send up an animal in satellite No. 2. But he would like to see them in the foreseeable future.

"It would be before we put a man, or a woman for that matter, on the moon, one would probably try to circumnavigate the moon without landing on the surface."

"You see, when you land on the moon it costs fuel, and to depart from the moon again costs fuel, and it's cheaper if you just circumnavigate the moon which enables you to take a look at the unknown backside of the moon."

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## NUDIST: THE ONLY

WAY TO  
SAVE HIS HOME

London, Mar. 2.

The Duke of Bedford, a conscientious host, today hoped for a dry summer. The thought of nudists cavorting in plastic raincoats at his stately Woburn Abbey home was too much for him.

The 40-year-old Duke went to a private showing of a French nudist film yesterday to prepare for the scheduled nudist convention he will hold at Woburn Abbey next summer in connection with his efforts to pay off taxes and save his historic home.

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The Duke said the movie had added up to "a pretty good idea of what to expect at Woburn."

The Duke was expected to take it in stride. Thus far, in his efforts to scrape up enough money to keep the 300-bedroom home, he has installed pinball machines, a merry-go-round on the property, bicycle races and guided tours.

"I'd either sell out or this," he said on a bright day last summer when some 20,000 persons poured through his gates at about 40 cents a head.

"I'll do anything for publicity," the Duke declared. But he drew the line at one thing.

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The Duke, no sun-lover, said "If he thinks I am reciprocating with a picture of my family undressed he is mistaken."

United Press

TREASURE OF  
JAPAN'S ART

Marseille, Mar. 2.

The passenger liner Vietnam, which docked in Marseilles to which it carries a precious cargo of paintings and art objects of great value which will be exhibited at the Japanese pavilion during the International Fair in Brussels.

The masterpieces of Japanese art, which were in the charge of two Japanese museum curators, were valued at more than 700 million francs. The boxes were unloaded from the ship and placed in two boxes bound for Belgium, via Paris. —France-Press.

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United Press

Alexandria, Mar. 2.

A forest ranger reported a commercial plane with 52 passengers crashed near here yesterday. The Air Force said that a wide search failed to locate the crash and it was labelled a probable hoax. —United Press

A 23-year-old bride-to-be who disappeared a few hours before her scheduled wedding nine days ago was found in apparent good health today in a Manhattan bus station.

Detectives said seamstress Iron Arnedi had not been kidnapped and had not been harmed.

There was no immediate explanation of her disappearance.

Police said the attractive blonde was nervous when they questioned her.

"I had gone too far," they quoted the girl. "I started walking and I didn't remember a thing."

Police went to the terminal at the request of the girl's brother Carlo Arnedi. He said she telephoned home and appeared to be very nervous. He said she called from the bus

station and asked that someone be sent to get her. She said she would be in the waiting room.

Sylvester Cicero, accompanied by police, picked the girl up.

Miss Arnedi disappeared from her home two hours before she was to marry Joseph Pinto, 31, after a six-month engagement.

She and her daughter lived in the same apartment house.

For her to come home, if she was all right.

Her mother, Mrs. Anna Arnedi, was in a state of collapse and under a doctor's care.

"Thank God," the 58-year-old woman said when informed her daughter was all right.

"I know my daughter would show up,"

United Press

San Francisco, Mar. 2.  
Woodrow Wilson is a stubborn man who just won't take "no" for an answer.

Wilson, 29, entered a bank yesterday and demanded money from a cashier because "two guns are pointing at her head."

The cashier, seeing no guns, told Wilson to move along.

Wilson refused to move and was still standing there when police arrived. —United Press.

Swanson, Mar. 2.

Police yesterday sought a woman writer who knows where she's going. They want to return her purse.

The lost handbag contained four pencils, seven pens, a lipstick and two compasses. —United Press.

London, Mar. 2.

Stella Sewell blushed when her new husband entered her age as 28 on a marriage register at nearby Lewisham, two months ago. She knew her 21-year-old husband was just trying to be gallant.

Stella wrote to the Registrar yesterday saying her conscience bothered her ever since and would he please change her age to "Over 30." She didn't say how much. —United Press.

Wolf Point, Mar. 2.

Major Harry H. Hartz of Wolf Point, Montana, is resigning this month because he can't stand the ride from his home to the office.

Hartz moved eight months ago to Butte, 500 miles from Wolf Point, he has been "commuting" 1,000 miles to attend City Council meetings. He has made the trip eight times. —United Press.

Halefarn, Mar. 2.

Lewis Hamilton hasn't been eating very well since he lost 10 pounds. He has set off to Florida's Hialeah race track. What he lost was his set of false teeth. —United Press.

United Press

## I know how the world will end

SAYS MR. HOYLE, THE SO-SERIOUS SCIENTIST  
WHO WRITES FICTION FOR FUN.

FRED HOYLE stirred his coffee placidly and said: "There is no doubt in my mind about how life on this planet will come to an end." Cambridge's newest professor and prime authority on Outer Space, was sitting with me in a peaceful room in the university Senate House. An elderly don at a nearby table looked up sharply at his words.

"The sun will get bigger and bigger," went on Hoyle, "and we will get hotter and hotter, and eventually the sea will boil and the earth will just melt."

I sympathised with the elderly don's uneasiness. A prediction like this takes on an extra dimension of alarm when Fred Hoyle utters it.

He is the sort of short, comical fellow who would never, you feel, say anything just for effect. You remember that his father worked in the Bradford cloth trade, where the atmosphere discourages flamboyant talk. His own brilliant career as an astronomer has never disturbed his level, steady Yorkshire accent.

He soon makes it plain that the modern astronomer has no need of flamboyance. And Hoyle, who at 42 has just been appointed Professor of Astronomy at Cambridge, is the modern astronomer in essence a working-class boy who, powered only by his own brains, has soared to the scientific stratosphere.

"Perhaps by the time life becomes impossible here," he said, "human beings will be able to migrate to another part of the solar system. They may abandon the earth, and live on an artificial planet."

Well, if the world is to end, not with a bang, or a whimper, but a colossal bonfire, what about life on other planets? Modern astronomy is in step with science-fiction here. "I think it would be extraordinarily surprising if there were no other planets with life on them." There may even be millions of them.

As for the form of life—that means, most probably, creatures rather like human beings, "I don't think it is possible to produce the thing we call intelligence without a nervous system," said Hoyle. "That means a head, or something like it, to protect the nervous system. Eyes confer such an advantage that you can't leave them out. And already you are beginning to get close to what we are like."

Or at least the Bug-eyed Monsters of lurid fiction are



FRED HOYLE  
More fiction if it rains

beginning to get scientific sanction. Hoyle knows about science fiction; he passed a recent wet summer holiday by writing a scientific thriller called *The Black Cloud*. It was full of drama and had impenetrable learned footnotes containing equations. He means to write some more, probably when the holiday weather is suitable again.

Hoyle's wife, in a fluffy blue hat, joined us with an armful of shopping and news of their 16-year-old son, at school at Bryanston. "He's just got into the second boat," she reported, "which is a great thing."

The professor registered approval, then switched back to his own form of transport. "There will be little vehicles scurrying around in space within 10 years," he predicted. "Not with people in them, though. That may take 50, or 100, years." Mrs Hoyle began to study the trapeze line in a newspaper.

Hoyle's "little space vehicles" will be a big advance on the sputniks. They will be able to cruise where directed and radio back accounts of what they find.

*John Thompson*

The evidence is most conclusive!



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# Who is the world's most attractive man?

BEGINNING A THREE-PART INVESTIGATION

by Anne Edwards

CHAPTER 1:  
BUT FIRST LET'S CLEAR  
A FEW OUT  
OF THE WAY

SINCE I began this delicious assignment of tracking down the world's most attractive men, I have made several discoveries.

I have found that high on other women's lists of charmers are dukes, Latin lovers and millionaires.

But not on mine. Among the ones I've met the Latin lovers are a shade too professional, the millionaires are too busy making money, and the dukes are too damn dukes.

I have discovered that when I ask a girl who is the world's most attractive man, a certain handful of famous names crops up every time.

But when it comes to the runners-up one girl's man is another girl's poison—as you will soon see.

And I have discovered afresh that I am, dented, but un-

deniable egotism of men. Whenever I put to a man the question "Who is the Most Attractive Man in the world?" nine out of 10 of them answered with jocular assurance, "Me."

### MY FIELD Purely personal

HERE, then, is my field of contestants, selected from famous men, assessed on their public faces, rated on purely personal reasons.

Group Captain Peter Townsend. Every woman's romantic ideal of the Rejected Suitor.

Handsome, debonair, stiff upper lip and relentless, he utters not one reprimanding word, neither not one indiscreet remark, and pushes off to shoot lions.

Keith Miller (cricketer) . . . devil-may-care, virile, sun-bronzed Adonis from the bush. Included in my list because 99 girls out of 100 are mad about him.

Counted out, because I am the hundredth.

Nye Bevan. Magnetic. Magnificent. Maybe a shade too partly.

Peter Sellers. Included on my list of seeded players because he has the golden gift of making me laugh. Because he did five swift impersonations in a 30-minute interview. Because he blushed when told he was on the list, but recovered quickly, turned a Hamlet-like profile, and remarked: "Milligan will be mad when he hears about this."

Regrettably I disqualified him because he says "I used to send flowers and go down on my knees. But I've given it up, because I noticed that other men

just went around, cocked an eyebrow at a girl and said "Well . . ."

**BUSH ADONIS**  
Mad about him

rough, rude, eye-on-the-water-front school of lovers.

"Maybe he'll strike you," as Blanche says in "Streetcar," "or maybe he'll grab and kiss you."

For me their attraction (and lack of it) is summed up in this speech made by Brando in the same play: "I don't go in for that stuff...compliments to women about their looks. I never met a woman that didn't know if she was good looking or not without being told...and some of them give themselves credit for more than they've got. I once went out with a dame who said, 'I am the glamorous type. I am the glamorous type. I am the glamorous type. I am the glamorous type.'"

A couple of weeks of these pensive covenants and I'm falling for...Cary Grant. Courteous, clean, impeccably mannered and dressed. "At my husband," Mrs Cary Grant told me.

Marlon Brando. He's on my list of seeded contestants because he's a splendid exponent (like Frank Sinatra) of the

type. "Is a combination of intelligence, humour, humility, sensitivity. And he has enormous variety of interests. He is never dull. When he is bored he is sometimes withdrawn, sometimes polite, sometimes elegantly rude."

Oh, dear. With this paragon around I suspect I'd spend all my time being withdrawn, polite or elegantly rude.

**Dominic you know who.** Gay, good looking, determined. But no. Somehow I'd never get it out of my head that if he cared for me all that much he wouldn't have put me through the hoop.

**Orson Welles.** Magnetic. Magnetic. Maybe a shade too partly.

**Fuches and Hillary** — the intrepid explorers, the strong silent leaders, the unemotional monoclonial heroes.

Yes, yes, I know. But all that controlled feeling can be a bit drab. Listen to their words at moments of high emotion. At the meeting in the Arctic wastes . . . "Dawn glad to see you, Ed." "Hello, Bunny." At the moment of conquering Everest. "Hurrah."

They even get their womenfolk doing it in the end. Said Sir John Hunt's wife at her first meeting with her husband after four dangerous months away: "Darling, your nose is peeling."

**Sir Robert Boothby.** Magnetic. Magnificent. Maybe a shade too partly.

**Jack Hawkins.** His kind of man is summed up in this sentence: "He is good in the clean-living Englishman tradition—they keep in training, wash behind the ears, never hit below the belt."

But alas, this sentence was written by George Orwell analysing the schoolboy heroes of the *Gem* and *Magnet*, and that's exactly why this type is not for me.

**Mike Todd.** Rich, dynamic, brash, tasteless. Like all good American husbands he is lavish with his money and mean with his time. He'll neglect you and load you with diamonds.

**He'd buy you the world, and it would be the wrong colour.**

**I**t's a good fault, mind. I like a man who says: "I didn't know there was any other fur but mink." I'd like him more if he stopped to think—that sables suit me better.

**DEBONAIR**  
And arrogant

**POSTSCRIPT** from Kingsley Amis, author of "Lucky Jim," an expert like his hero at pulling funny faces.

"The most attractive man in the world," he said, "must be Imperturbable, and a shade arrogant, debonair and gay. When he meets a girl he must give the impression that he is running the whole show. He takes her away from the party by saying: 'Where? He's going now.' She says: 'Where?' He says: 'You'll see' (signifying pause)—you'll like it."

Then Mr Amis pulled his Must Attractive Man in the World Face—Imperturbable and a shade arrogant, debonair and gay.

"It's not me," he said.

**TOMORROW:**  
The short

**1957**

## Whoopdedo Unlimited!

SCHOOLBOYS  
ARE PAID £10 A WEEK, PETROL IS 10/- A GALLON—BUT  
THERE IS ONE SHADOW NOBODY DARES TO TALK ABOUT

JEDDAH, Saudi Arabia,

**S**AUDI ARABIA today is a country in delirium—the delirium of vast riches, newly won prosperity, growing prestige, and the heady prospect of a future in which "nothing can stop us."

Ten short years ago the most precious gift which you could present to a friend here in Jeddah (population 200,000 and still rising) was a jar of drinking water.

Ten years ago mud-walled Jeddah, and mud-walled Riyadh, the capital, were practically as they were in the days when King John reigned in England.

Feverish

NOW the country is going modern at an almost desperate pace—in a feverish swoop to do everything, be everything, and get everything that other nations have and are.

When the Americans hit oil near Bahrain, over on the Persian Gulf coast, the country instantly took off on a swelling flood of black gold. And today water flows from taps in Jeddah, and over in Riyadh.

Undoubtedly your Arab friends will have thought of it for themselves. It is not a subject on which I wish to dwell.

A unimaginably good to Allah, then, has been

French engineers have dis-

covered a water deposit 1,500 yards beneath the sand which is popularly reputed to be "six times as great as Lake Geneva."

That is how it came about that when the other day, I sat chatting with foreigner in the office of one of Saudi Arabia's top public health officials, I found myself talking to a Palestinian, an Indian, an Egyptian, and a Syrian.

Syrians and Egyptians are everywhere in the more desirable jobs. And in the working force you find scores of thousands of Yemenis, who are welcomed here without passport or fuss.

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Right now they are full of their new radio station. It will be ready in about two years' time and will be able to reach all parts of the world—Britain included. It will be called "Radio Mecca," a propaganda touch of unmatched attraction for the Moslem world.

It is being built by the Germans and every last detail is being broadly taken care of (including special divisions from every one of the various Moslem countries, to ensure that all is tactful and all dialects are understood).

Nothing makes too much of this point out loud, but when Radio Mecca gets into action it will completely blanket Nasir's Voice or the Arabs' programme from Cairo.

The new radio station will be owned by King Saud—as is everything else in this country.

The king, who is approachable by the hundreds of his subjects when he sits in the market place to listen to complaints, owns everything in sight.

Hospitals are free, school boys are paid £10 a week.

Today Saudi Arabia rides

high and handsome.

But tomorrow?

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## This Funny World



"Isn't it about time you brought in the patio furniture?"

## • BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

If a "telecandidate" in an election loses 47½ seconds of his time-ration when an "advertisment for, say, tinned trinkets?" Looking more foolish every moment, the group sentences cut him off, the missing sentences should be inserted later in the programme.

And if a candidate's time is up when he has still the most important word in his closing sentence to utter, that important word should be read out by a commentator, but simply as an isolated word, "since" the inclusion of the entire sentence would not only interfere with the advertisements, but would be tantamount to allowing one candidate to overrun his time. So important is every second that the man with the stopwatch will in future fire a starting pistol as each candidate begins his address.

## How it is done

SOME critics have acclaimed the "realism" of the dialogue in contemporary novels and plays. It has been revealed that one author collects and writes down in a notebook the stray remarks scribbled on walls and doors by degenerates. As a critic said of a recent masterpiece: "This is not mere skimming of the surface of life. It is life itself in the raw."

## Dagger in the Dark (8).

"WHY the devil are we all following each other?" asked the Chinese beggar, hitching his ragged trousers. "I'm Ralph Fanning, British Secret Service." Suspecting a trap, since everybody was claiming to be an English agent, Shuttledore gave the password: "Sage and onions." "Celery and carrots," replied the beggar, thus removing all doubt as to his identity. "Well, we all look pretty silly," said Shuttledore, contemplating the beggar's theatrical wardrobe nose. "We can't all be British agents, surely. That fellow with his back to us is a genuine Arab merchant, if ever I saw one." "Wrong again," said the Arab turning round to face them. "Why," cried Miss Pottzelton "It's Lance Cutaway!" "Hello, Hermione!" replied the Arab, so loudly that an Indian came

## • JACOBY ON BRIDGE

## Error Is Big Defence Play

By OSWALD JACOBY

I DODGED for the door but the unlucky expert was too quick for me. He blocked my path and probably would have brought me down with a flying tackle if I hadn't stopped to listen to his latest horror. Here it is:

"I had a good 18-point no-trump and my partner had a sound raise to three. Furthermore, the king of diamonds was

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Pass Pass	
Opening lead—◆ 3	

held by East and normally I would have made at least four odd but look what happened.

"West opened the jack of spades, I played low from dummy and naturally East showed up with the king. Back came my spade and I had worries. I had just seen the king of diamonds in the East hand. I would have gone after that but I had an extra chance running for the line. Maybe East held a single-king of clubs. In any event it could only cost me an extra hundred points to see about it and I played a low club from dummy.

"Out came the king from East and everything looked right. I took my ace, led the nine of clubs and let it ride. East now produced the jack and returned a spade. I was down two tricks."

"If East did it intentionally it was quite a play," I remarked. "I imagine it was another lucky accident."

"It sure was but I can't call it lucky," he replied. "When East took his jack of clubs he apologised profusely to his partner for having played the king by mistake."

"Good-morning," said Knarf.

"Morning," returned Mrs Cuckoo.

"But let's take a look at February."

"Yes, let's take a look at it," said Knarf.

For a moment or two, Knarf and Mrs Cuckoo both stood to their gaze out. The wind swept through the leafless trees and across the flower beds where flowers stood.

## WOMANSENSE

## SOMETHING NEW FOR SPRING



YOLANDE MAGNY shows off a new evening hair style during a recent display of styles for the Spring in Paris. Use is made of marguerites on the top, whilst at the side the natural tresses are supported by artificial hair, lacquered and gilded.



## Familiar Vegetables

By ALICE DENHOFF

ROCCOLI, that highly-developed member of the cabbage family, is one of our best protective foods. A half-cup of this green vegetable provides 70 per cent of the entire daily adult requirement of vitamin C and half that of vitamin A, in addition to other important elements.

Broccoli is good whether it is served plain, with all sorts of imaginative sauces or as part of a casserole.

## Broccoli in Sauce

Plain Broccoli with Browned Mushroom Sauce is a real treat.

To serve 6, combine 3 c. mashed sweet potatoes, 1 tbsp. butter, 1/2 c. salt, 1/2 c. black pepper, and 2 tbsp. sugar. Shape into patties, roll in 1 c. crushed cornflakes.

Bake on buttered cookie sheet in a preheated, moderate oven (350°) 15 min. or until brown.

## Delicate Dose

Here is a fluffy, delicate Cranberry Custard that goes well after a hearty meal.

To serve 6, cook 1/4 c. sugar, 2 tbsp. cornstarch, 2 tbsp. water and 1/4 c. whole tinned cranberries together in a saucepan over low heat until very thick, about 15 min.

Gradually stir in 4 egg yolks. Cover.

Just before serving, add 1/4 tsp. salt to 4 egg whites and beat until they stand in soft peaks.

Gradually beat in 1/4 c. sugar and 1/4 tsp. grated orange rind. Fold into the custard mixture.

Cook uncovered in a saucepan containing 1 in. of boiling water and 1/2 c. salt for 5 min.

Cover and continue cooking until broccoli is just crisp-tender, about 15 min.

Meanwhile, lightly brown 3 tbsp. butter in a skillet. Add 1/4 c. chopped fresh mushrooms and saute quickly until just tender. Add 1/2 c. fresh lemon juice and 1/4 tsp. black pepper. Drain broccoli. Arrange on

Just before serving, add 1/4 tsp. salt to 4 egg whites and beat until they stand in soft peaks. Gradually beat in 1/4 c. sugar and 1/4 tsp. grated orange rind. Fold into the custard mixture. Serve in sherbet glasses. Top with a dab of whipped cream and a sprig of mint.

And with that Mrs Cuckoo smiled at Knarf. Then she opened the door to her clock cottage and invited Knarf inside to have a cup of warm milk and freshly baked buns.

And he forgot all about February and went right in.

## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

## The Longest Month

—Knafe Hears Some Interesting Facts About February—

By MAX TRELL

MRS Cuckoo opened the door of her clock cottage, walked to her porch and stood looking out at the grey February day. She shook her head several times.

"Yes, I know that, my dear," said Mrs Cuckoo. "But still I say that February is the longest month in the year. Just let me show you why."

She was still shaking her head when Knarf, the shadow boy with the turned-about name, came into the room. He climbed up the chain ladder to the clock cottage.

"Good-morning," said Knarf to Mrs Cuckoo.

"Morning," returned Mrs Cuckoo.

For a moment or two, Knarf and Mrs Cuckoo both stood to their gaze out. The wind swept through the leafless trees and across the flower beds where flowers stood.

But let's take a look at February."

"Yes, let's take a look at it," said Knarf.

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So Many Days

"You have so many Days," said Mrs Cuckoo, "and so many different kinds of Days that do not matter what the Calendar says, I know that February is the longest month in the fact," added Mrs Cuckoo, lowering her voice, "I'm going to do something about that."

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## Rupert and the Lost List—23



The poor Goliwok sinks down in despair. "This is the end of me," he sighs. "There is no time for us to do all our work now. Santa Claus will never trust me any more." "Hey, snap out of it!" cries the toy Cowboy. "Let me tell you what you mean." Rupert begins to pat him on the shoulder. "I'm fed towards the reindeer."

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## YOUR BIRTHDAY ...By STELLA

MONDAY, MARCH 3

BORN today, you have an inventive, mechanical mind which can turn you into a small genius. You are the type of person who eventually help to make the world a better place. This does not mean that you are merely a visionary character, for you have a practical mind and are not afraid to work on the idea until it can be made useful to all mankind. You may need to be a little bit of a dreamer, but you are never satisfied with building castles in the air—unless you want to see those dreams come true.

Yet, you are not one to be pushy about things. You are willing to wait patiently for your turn. You are a natural leader, but you are not the type of person who wants to be the center of attention.

If you have something really worth-while to offer the world—the world will come to you. You will afford to blow your own horn a little more!

TUESDAY, MARCH 4

PISCES (Feb. 28-Mar. 20)—Take a constructive point of view which leads to positive action on an important occasion. Expect success.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—A fine day for all business affairs. Your shrewd, forward-looking policy should bring you success.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—From employment matters. If you have been doing your very best on the job, then a raise could be on its way.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)—There are excellent opportunities in sight but be very selective. Do not take the best one offered.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)—A conference may bring you some increased advantage in some important business deal. Act wisely.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Combine travel, business and pleasure to mutual advantage of all three. Have some fun, too!

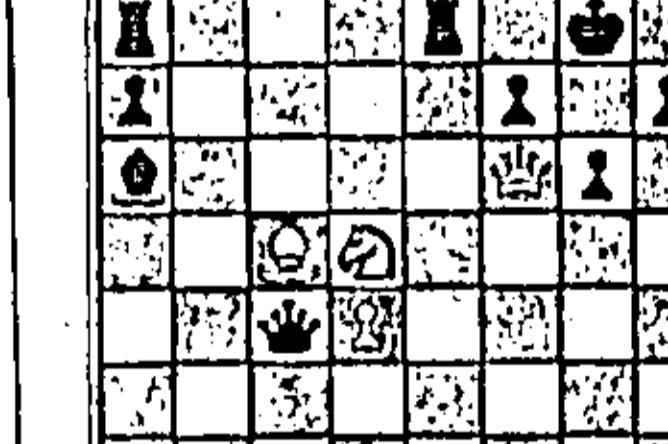
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)—Important opportunities in things involving industrial projects should show excellent profit now.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)—A conference may bring you some increased advantage in some important business deal. Act wisely.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)—A fine day for all your efforts. Take a calculated risk to further your ambitions. A short trip may be indicated. It should bring success.

## CHESS

By LEONARD BARDEN



Saturday's Solution

From actual play: White to move and win quickly.

Diagram No. 5357. 1. B x P

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2 Kt—Q5 or B x P ch; 2 B—B5

or B—B5, or 2 B x P ch; 2 Kt—R5 or Kt x P; 2 Kt—R5.

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Target

L U Q

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S E U

How many four-letter words or more can you make by moving the letters in the squares on the board, each word, the letters of which may be used once only. Each word must contain the large letter in the square, and there must be at least one nine-letter word in the list. No plurals; no foreign words; no proper names.

TODAY'S TARGET: 18 words.

good; 18 words, very good; 21 words, excellent. Solution on page 23.

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25,000 SEE SENIOR SHIELD SEMI-FINAL

# SOUTH CHINA BEAT KITCHEE 3-2

## First Rugby Trial To Select Colony Team This Evening

By "PAK LO"

The Army on Saturday took a long time to get into their stride, for the bustling tactics of the Airmen in this rugby match upset them in just the same way as the Police did in their first game against the Army.

The Army were favoured by the half-time score of 5-0, second half the Army romped to an easy 27 points victory, a victory which automatically shifted them Tournament table.

In the other Tournament trial should provide some talk, with the Police took the field, the Army with a depleted side due to the Dockyard trouble, but the loan of a Navy player and the arrival of Johnston after five minutes brought their numbers up to a full complement and with an uninspiring display they left the field the winners by 8 points (1 goal, 1 penalty goal) to nil.

This evening the first trial for the Colony XV will take place on the Club ground at 6.30 p.m. That the Services will win is self-evident, but despite this it should be an interesting game to watch. What will be even more interesting will be to see the results of the Selection Committee's deliberations after this game, and the two trials they pick for the next

### Police v Navy

The Police took the majority of the scrums, but were unable to hold them in the line-outs where Precious did sterling work. He was also outstanding in the loose, and his hard tackling and running forced the Police forwards time and again to give ground.

However, the Police got the bigger share of the ball overall, but the Police three were much too slow off the mark. At one point Walker made a quick break through the centre but the Police three were all standing flat-footed and a good chance was lost.

### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NINTH (ANNUAL) RACE MEETING  
Saturday 1st, Wednesday 5th and Saturday 8th March, 1958

(To be held under the rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)

THE PROGRAMME WILL COST 30 RACES.

The First Bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. and the First Race run at 12.00 Noon each day.

The Fifth interval is after the Fourth Race (1.30 p.m.) each day.

The Secretary's Office at Alexandra House will close at 10.00 a.m. each day.

### MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED.  
All persons MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

Admission: Bidders at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable prior to the Meeting from the Club's Cash Sweep Offices, at Queen's Building, Chater Road and Nathan Road, Kowloon, only on the written introduction of a Member, and on production of his Guest Record Card. Members are limited to 6 guests each Race Day, and will be responsible for all guests introduced by them.

Tickets will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 72811).

The Gis Floor is restricted to Members and Ladies wearing Lady's Brooches.

NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises during the Meeting. For this purpose a Child is a person under the age of seventeen years, Western Standard.

### PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission will be \$3.00 each per day payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

MEALS and REFRESHMENTS will be obtainable in the RESTAURANT.

### SERVANTS

Servants must remain in their employers' boxes except for passing through on their duties. They may on no account use the Betting Booths or Pay Out Booths in the Enclosures.

### CASH SWEEPS

Although Through Tickets cannot normally be purchased for each day of a Meeting unless there is an interval of at least five days between each day an exception is being made for the Annual Race Meeting. Through Cash Sweep tickets, therefore, at \$20 each per day or \$60 for the three days of the Meeting may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at Queen's Building (Chater Road) and 5, D'Aguilar Street during normal office hours and until 10.00 a.m. on each day of the Meeting.

Particular numbers within the series 1 to 3,000 may be reserved for all race meetings as Through Tickets. Such tickets will be issued consecutively only and the right is reserved by the Stewards to cancel any reservation for Through Tickets for a particular Meeting if it is found that sales may not reach the number reserved in the series 1 to 3,000.

Tickets reserved and available but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 28th February, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future Meetings.

Tickets over 3,000 will also be issued consecutively but particular numbers cannot be reserved as Through Tickets.

The reservation of any particular number does not confer on the registered holder any rights whatsoever unless the ticket bearing the appropriate number is issued to and can be produced by the holder.

The Stewards reserve the right to refuse any subscription also the right to remove any name from Subscription Lists without stating reasons for their action.

Tickets for the Cash Sweep on the last race of the Meeting at \$2.00 each and Tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the Hong Kong Derby scheduled to be run on 10th May, 1958, at \$2.00 each may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at Queen's Building (Chater Road) and 5, D'Aguilar Street on

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### TOTALISATOR

Bookers are advised not to destroy or throw away their ticket until after the "all clear" signal has been exhibited.

ALL WINNING TICKETS AND TICKETS FOR REFUNDS MUST BE PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT AT THE RACE COURSE ON THE DAY TO WHICH THEY REFER, NOT LATER THAN ONE HOUR AFTER THE TIME FOR WHICH THE LAST RACE OF THE DAY HAS BEEN SCHEDULED TO BE RUN.

PAYMENT WILL NOT BE MADE ON TORN OR DISFIGURED TICKETS.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

By Order of the Stewards:

A. E. ARNOLD,  
Secretary.

### UNPOPULAR WIN

Cuba, Mar. 2.  
Armando Baragano of Cuba, won an unpopular split decision over Mexico's Tomas Castillo in a 10-round lightweight fight at the old Sports Palace last night. United Press

## Not So Much A Victory As A Surrender

Says I. M. MacTAVISH

Nearly 25,000 fans saw South China qualify to meet KMB in the Senior Shield Final at the Hongkong Stadium yesterday when they defeated Kitchee by 3 goals to 2... but it wasn't so much a South China success as a Kitchee surrender.

The first half was the more interesting. After the interval the standard of play deteriorated to an alarming degree. Maybe South China's two quick goals took the wind out of the Kitchee sails, but if they did one would have expected that by the same token Chu Wing-wah's late counter would have refilled them with a gale of hopeful enterprise.

Not a bit of it. All the shooting of the spectators—and they got little enough to shout about—failed completely to rouse the Kitchee players out of their lifeless and listless porridge.

This attitude of intermittent indifference is a strange feature of the current Kitchee side and as long as it persists they can hardly hope for any major successes. In sparses the team comes to life and looks good enough to achieve big things... then just as suddenly the flame divinides and the players lapse into the soccer commonplace.

That is just about the whole story of this dour, dogged, but disappointing game. In flashes Kitchee were very bit as good as South China... then would come the inevitable fade and the Caroline Hill boys would swing into top gear. The main contrast in the two teams was that the Navy were penalised for "feet-up" and Johnston con-

tinued to let one or two of the "Sorry, Old Boy" brigade know what they thought of them although in itself will hardly bring comfort to several aching limbs and bodies today. Kitchee's troubles started in their vital last line of defence where Yong Pud-dar had a tormented and tragic afternoon in goal. He was the soul of uncertainty from start to finish and his uninspiring display soon spread to the men around him. In front of him, however, Szeto Yiu had another grand game, but Chan Chi-kong simply is not a left back. He obviously dislikes the restrictions which the position puts on his movements and frequently gets into the way of his partner. The Kitchee defence was bodily at fault when pliant Wong Chi-keung was allowed to run in and meet a head-on blow from the left and head it into the net. Yong Pud-dar might well have been in the grandstand for all the effort he made to intercept the high cross ball.

Five minutes later it was the same story again when Yiu Cheuk-yin took a free-kick away out on the right touch line. He blighted the ball beautifully and as the Kitchee defence again played the role of silent spot-keepers admirably, Lee Yiu-tak got his head to it and the ball was in the net.

In the 85th minute Kitchee reduced the deficit to a single goal when Chu Wing-keung cut the ball back from the goal line for Chu Wing-wah to head into the net... but Oh where was the South China defence!!

In the last second of the game Kitchee had a chance to snatch a sensational equaliser, but in their eagerness to connect with the ball Chu Wing-wah and Lee Ping-chui got in each other's way. The chance was gone... and with it went Kitchee's Shield hopes.

### Verdict

Leung Wal-hung had a fine first half. He looked a potential match winner and I'll never understand why he was virtually ignored by his mates in the second half. Szeto Man worked hard enough and Chu Wing-keung showed that his soccer brain is still as astute as ever... unfortunately the old legs aren't what they used to be. Lee Tai-fai did little of note and Chu Wing-wah had his worst game in weeks.

South China seemed much the fitter side and they certainly showed greater concentration and stamina... and, of course, they had Ho Cheung-yau and Yiu Cheuk-yin to scheme, plan and exploit their own particular brands of soccer magic. The value of this pair to South China is simply beyond simple estimate. If they had been missing from the line-up yesterday this match vaunted South China side would have been a very sorry sight. The difference between the two sides lay in the inside forward berths.

As a composite team South China were ahead of the opposition, but individually Lau Chi-ping had another poor game, Luk Tak-hay looked forward from fl, and Lau Yee was strangely uncertain. The inside trio was the best part of the team although Wong Chi-keung was a lively right winger. Mok Chun-wah found it difficult to evade Szeto Yiu and long before the end he was looking a bit the worse for wear.

The threat of rain cut a few thousands off the attendance but there was still a big crowd when Kitchee kicked off towards the Clubhouse goal.

Both sides jockeyed for the early advantage, but it was South China who got the tone of an early start after only nine minutes.

### Object Lesson

Some of the tackling and subtleties by both teams was most suspect and it was a source of wonder that no one was really badly injured. The referee was far too tolerant of the flying boot and the stabbing foot. This sort of thing has to be stamped out as soon as it appears... and as it started here as early as the third minute there was never very much doubt in knowing minds that we were going to see plenty of it.

We were not disappointed and even a painfully obvious but apparently un-premeditated dislodgement by Chan Fai-hung was not good at all. He failed to stir the man with the fist to apply the iron fist. He did however a word of the referee as the players ran into position for the resultant free kick to be taken.

But Chan Fai-hung was not the only offender. Worse by far even than his own effort were some of the sly, skilfully disguised ones committed by men on both sides. A few years ago a famous European star was referred to as the "Laughing Assassin" because he used to send an opponent crashing to the ground and then be the first one on the spot with a smile of innocence and a word of sympathy. Nowadays we are seeing a lot of this same stuff here in Hongkong.

Without any chance or intention of getting the ball one or two of our stars go thundering into the tackle. An opponent goes down in a heap and the first person to show an air of concern, to render assistance and offer a handshake is the culprit himself. What soccer hypocrisy it is. The fans are seeing a lot of this same stuff here in Hongkong.

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At this stage Kitchee seemed to be getting on top but Chu Wing-wah missed a great chance of putting them ahead and it was really left to Leung Wal-hung to carry the main threat into the South China defence lines.

Just before the interval he scored a goal in the 85th minute. At the start of the game he had been the best trained team in the history of American Davis Cup tennis.

Meanwhile, the new President of the Federation, Victor Denby, announced that a committee had been set up to discuss the Open Championship question.—France-Press.

## MORNING RECORD BREAK



Brian Frost, 19, of Aldershot, on February 22 broke the one-hour record held by Zatopek when he ran 50 times around the Tooting Bec track to cover 12½ miles in the hour. He broke the record by about 70 yards. This picture shows:

Brian Frost during his attempt—the time-keeper is Dan Metcalfe, of Bolton.—Central Press Photo.

### SOCER NEWS

## Fulham's Goalkeeper Can Play For England

By JAMES CONNOLLY

London.

Tony Macedo, Fulham's goalkeeper with the sprung-steel spine, could play for England. Says Sir Stanley Rous, the FA secretary: "If a player is born within the area of the National Association it qualifies him for international matches under FA Rule 33."

London.

The most interesting invitation they have received was to go to sunny California. They were asked by an official now on his way back after a business trip to this country. He says the official invitation will follow.

Arsenal have also been asked once again to take an arrow tour in South Africa. The Turkish FA, and the Israel FA have also asked them to visit them.

—London Express Service.

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## Indonesian Wins German Title

Bonn, Mar. 2.

Ferry Sonneveld, of Indonesia, won the men's singles title of the German International Badminton Championships today.

He defeated Bo Nilsson, of Sweden, 15-11, 15-4 in the final.

Nilsson started at top speed and led 7-1. But Sonneveld's agility enabled him to level at 11-11 and he was never again pressed.

Other finals results were:

Women's Singles:

Gebert (Germany) beat Hartmut Ellerman (Germany) 15-11, 11-7.

Men's Doubles:

H.T. Findlay and E.J. Timperley (Britain) beat Nilsson and Goerni Wohlquist (Sweden) 15-10, 15-3.

Women's Doubles:

Ellerman and Schmidt (Denmark) and P. Pettersson (Denmark) 15-9, 15-10.

Mixed Doubles:

Nilsson and Pettersson (Sweden) beat Prahl (Denmark) 15-9, 15-2.—Reuters.

## MIAMI TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Miami, Mar. 2.

American Budgie Patti today won the Miami Tennis Championship by defeating American Gardner Mulley 6-4, 6-2, 6-4.

Patti and Mulley afterwards

won the doubles, defeating American Jack Frost and South African John Kupperburger 7-5, 7-5.—France-Press.

### THE GAMBOLS

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# UNIVERSITY PITCHER IN FINE FORM

## Nothing Very Exciting In Weekend's Softball

By "TIME OUT"

The softball contingent from Caroline Hill registered a "double" yesterday, in forfeits that is, when both their men and ladies gave walkovers to the PI Dodgers and CAA respectively. It was particularly costly to the distaff section as they were short of only one player and this loss, their third, throws the Ladies' Championship into the laps of the Hurricanes.

The other two games down for decision did nothing to bring up anybody's blood pressure. The morning affair saw the University's Frances da Silva in rare form on the mound against the luckless Overseas girls. Silva struck out 10, issued five walks and gave up only four hits in her side's 25 runs to 3 victory.

Trone Ho matched Frances' fine showing with a perfect 2 in 2 effort at the plate, one hit being a round-tripper. A special pal

### LEAGUE CRICKET

## UNBEATEN RECORD GOES

Highlight of Saturday's League cricket was the first defeat inflicted this season on Craigengower Cricket Club, who had hitherto won six and drawn seven of their matches.

First club to lower Craigengower's colours was the IRC and main architect of the victory was Carl Myatt, who took nine Craigengower wickets for 39 runs in 16.5 overs, three of these very good catches by Anwar Javath at deep mid-off. The margin of victory was four runs.

The Indians scored 121, batting first, with Carl Myatt (41), Tony Myatt (22) and George Ebert (10) not out) being the main contributors.

Craigengower lost their first three wickets cheaply, but then Souza and Dhabber got together for a stand of 81, when Souza fell victim to Javath's three great catches.

Javath was bowled by the first ball of Carl Myatt's next over and Dhabber went with the addition of only five more runs and the remaining four wickets put on only 10 more.

### A Long Time

At Chater Road the Scorpions took a very long time over scoring 107 runs for seven wickets. They kept the Optimists bowling for 54.3 overs before they declared and it was fast going on the Optimists' part to reply with 158 off 39.3 overs. But ten of the Optimists lost their wickets and the Scorpions won by 11 runs.

In this Chater Road match, Harry Owen Hughes (60) improved his batting average slightly to 50.3 and the first wicket partnership with Donald Pearce (39) was good for 91 runs. None of the younger Scorpions contributed very much, but Alec Pearce was good for an undefeated 20.

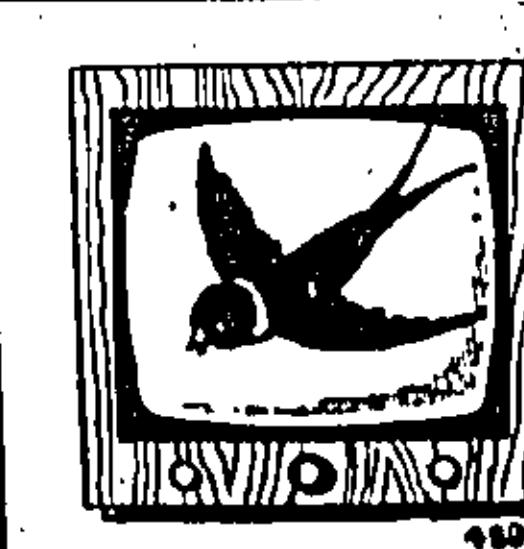
Rowe reached 34 and Joynt 43 for the Optimists, who lost only one wicket to Frank Howarth.

In other First Division matches, Army South beat Navy by 92 runs at King's Park and KCC beat RAF by eight wickets at Kai Tak.

### League Standings

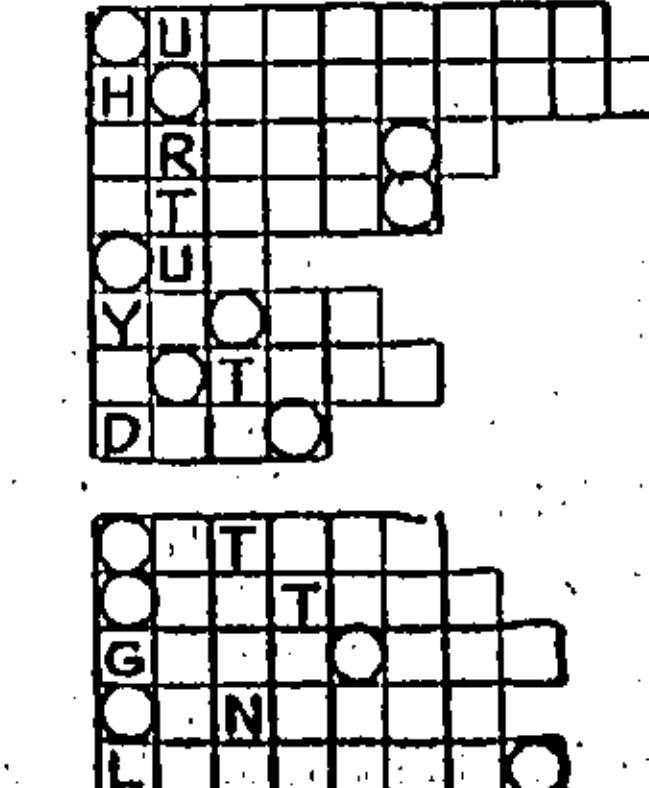
	P	W	D	L	Pts
Scorpions	15	8	5	2	37
Army "N"	10	7	1	2	30
Army "S"	13	8	2	3	31
KCC	15	6	0	2	34
CCC	14	6	1	3	31
Army "S"	15	5	0	4	20
RAF	10	4	4	2	21
Recruit	10	4	4	2	21
Optimists	15	2	6	6	14
Navy	15	3	1	11	13
Police	15	1	3	11	7

\* Including two points for a tie.



## NAMESAKES

INSTRUCTIONS: Fill in the spaces against each of the clues below with a word related to my life. The letters in circles will spell out my name. Who am I?



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### TABLE TENNIS

## Major Upset By West Germany In European Tourney

Budapest, Mar. 2. West Germany's table tennis men's team tonight caused a major upset in the European Championships here by defeating Czechoslovakia by five matches to one in the "Budapest Cup."

Tonight's first results were as follows:

### BUDAPEST CUP

Pool "A" — West Germany beat Czechoslovakia by 5-1.

Pool "B" — Hungary beat Soviet Union 6-1.

England beat Switzerland 6-0.

### BUCHAREST CUP (WOMEN)

Pool "A" — Romania beat Wales 3-1.

Pool "B" — England beat France 3-0.

Hungary beat Austria 3-0.

Poland beat Switzerland 3-0.

Belgium beat East Germany 3-0.

### LATER RESULTS

### BUDAPEST CUP

Pool "A" — Yugoslavia beat Austria 5-4.

Pool "B" — Rumania beat East Germany 5-4.

Sweden beat Poland 5-2.

### BUCHAREST CUP (WOMEN)

Pool "A" — Romania beat Sweden 3-0.

Czechoslovakia beat Soviet Union 3-0.

Bulgaria beat West Germany 3-1.

Wales beat Yugoslavia 3-0.

Pool "B" — Hungary beat France 3-0.

Poland beat Belgium 3-1.

England beat East Germany 3-0.

France-Press.

### ALL-ROUNDER

Stan Derbyshire is nominally for first team, goalkeeper for Langley Social Club FC in the Balford City League. The club has a good reserve goalkeeper when an injury crops up in the field. Derbyshire fills it.

Recently he went centre forward and scored six times against West Salford Labour Club, and he has also won Inter-League honours as a centre half.

### Light-Hearted

As a matter of fact there was a light-hearted gaiety and couldn't-care-less attitude pervading the atmosphere of the game, probably because the eventual result didn't matter since the Junior Championship had already been copied. Some of the dramatics on the field and in the dugouts would do credit to any stage club on the lookout for talent. In fact one Seminole's tossing of his glove on the ground in disgust was making an atrocious play should have called for censure from his team manager—but alas he got away with it!

There were so many changes made in the Seminole line-up that even mentor "Chief" Carvalho had a difficult time keeping track of the batters coming up. For the winners, Reuben Despa stood out with a 2-hitter although this wasn't a Despa in top form despite his giving up only a brace of singles. For the losers Marcy Baptista made a welcome return to form by making a few neat catches in the outfield. And to the Seminoles who casually informed me that their team wasn't really trying, well . . . ! ! !

Lastly special mention goes to Seminole manager Carvalho, for risking Klondike Wong's bat-battle by playing Wong at shortstop. Wong went 0 in 2, but in my estimation he still wins it.

### MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

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## Science And Engineering

Whistle And The  
Car Will Come

It's Britain's winner in the toy contest

A MECHANICAL toy which operates by varying sounds made on a kind of dog whistle has been invented for a British firm by a Dutch science teacher.

It is expected to give Britain the lead, now held by the US in the mechanical toy industry.

It was demonstrated at the Toy Trade Fair in Park Lane, W. It is a commercial vehicle called the Austin Omivan, and was the "star" among 2,000 different toys.



Man blows whistle—and controls car.

A short, sharp blast on the whistle, started the vehicle running forward; a long, continuous blast caused it to stop and then go into reverse.

A blast of medium-length altered the steering to right, straight forward or to the left as required. Control is up to a distance of 15 to 20 feet.

The whistle used to operate the toy emits an ulterior note which is picked up by a crystal microphone built into the toy and passed through an amplifying circuit.

## NEGIGIBLE

For these reasons an electric coffee-mill, the current consumption of which is negligible, is the ideal method of grinding coffee. In 10 to 20 seconds the beans are pulverised by this method to particles of no more than 0.40 mm cross-section, a result which would take much more time and exertion to achieve with a hand mill.

The bean reservoir is rounded and practical in shape, so that it can easily be cleaned if the mill is also to be used for grinding other products such as sugar, rice and almonds. The transparent lid fits firmly and cannot be shaken loose by vibration.

The mill is very robust in construction and there is no vibration from the motor, the noise of which is damped by rubber mounting. The cutter is insulated from the electrical parts and the motor is screened to prevent interference with radio and television.

The AC/DC collector motor has a speed of 12,000 r.p.m. and a power of 120 W. The mill is 18 cm high, 12 cm wide and 13 cm in depth; it weighs 1,500 grams. The white flex with spray-coated plug is 1.5 metres in length. Two versions are available, one for 220 V and one for 127 V.

Atomic  
Shooting  
Gallery

PLANS for an atomic shooting gallery more than two miles long are being studied by experts at the Harwell atom station.

Possible sites have been investigated in North Yorkshire for the £12,000,000 machine which would look like a giant centipede with its hundreds of supporting legs.

The "Centipede," which would make the Zeiss H-1 power machine look like a child's toy, would fire atomic "bullets" at a speed of more than 180,000 miles a second (speed of light is 180,000 miles a second).

## FRAGMENTS

Atoms struck by these bullets—minute fragments of atoms accelerated by electrical forces until they have the terrific energy of 20,000 million electron volts—would be torn apart with such violence that scientists would learn new facts about the energy locked up inside them.

The machine, designed in the Vickers research laboratory at Weybridge by a team headed by Dr. Christopher Barford, former chief of the Woomera rocket range, would be operated by the new National Institute for Nuclear Research, which will have its headquarters at Harwell.

The possibility of masking it swallow its tail to form an easier-to-accommodate circle is being considered.

A circular machine with one-third of the "Centipede's" power is already being built at Harwell.

PERFECT  
RAILWAY  
WARNING  
LAMP

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## KING'S &amp; PRINCESS: "And God Created Woman."

BRIGITTE Bardot in a French picture of a woman indiscriminately seeking a bed-mate.

## STAR &amp; METROPOLE: "Legend Of The Lost."

JOHN Wayne, Sophia Loren and Rossano Brazzi search for treasure in the Sahara.

## LEE &amp; ASTOR: "The One That Got Away."

HARDY KRUGER as the only German POW to escape.

## ROXY &amp; BROADWAY: "Peyton Place."

LANA TURNER and Hope Lange in a strong small town drama.

## HOOVER &amp; LIBERTY: "Jailhouse Rock."

ELVIS PRESLEY sings and fights through another film.

## QUEEN'S "Toughest Man Alive."

DANE CLARK in a waterfront drama.

## ORIENTAL &amp; MAJESTIC: "The Enemy Below."

ROBERT MITCHUM and CURT JURGENS in a duel to the death at sea.

## CAPITOL: "Eagle Squadron."

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## TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

## US Economy: Week's Survey

## A Speed-Up In Public Works Last Week

By IVAN ZVERINA

New York, Mar. 2.

A speed-up in public works on all levels — federal, state and local — was the word last week as both government and business tried one weapon after another to steer the recession into a mid-year upturn.

Indications were that as many of these weapons would be used as necessary, including already contemplated tax-cuts, if any deepening of the crisis requires it. The word came right from the top. President Eisenhower pledged an acceleration of public works projects at his weekly news conference. That, he said, would be more effective in "bringing people back to work quickly" than starting new projects.

States, cities and local communities had anticipated the word from the White House. Cleveland, Ohio, last week sold over \$15 million in bonds for port, sewer and road improvement projects. Pennsylvania was speeding up its \$200 million programme for schools, highways, sewage disposal and harbour expansion plans. In Chicago, city authorities called for doubling and tripling shifts to finish municipal projects.

The speed-up in public works followed the previous week's announcement by Federal Reserve authorities that they will cut reserve requirement on borrowings from member banks by 1/4 per cent effective Feb. 28. This move would free \$500 million in available loan money immediately and another \$1.5 billion eventually.

Stock market reaction to that move was disappointing. It was not until the middle of last week that the market staged a fair-sized rally. In the banks, meanwhile, reserves continued plainly even before the cut in requirements became effective.

Positive reserves at the end of last week rose to \$439 million from the previous week's revised figure of \$160 million. A major factor in easing the pressure on bank reserves the week before was a rise in "float" or credit extended banks by the Federal Reserve covering cheques delayed in transit.

## BUSINESS LOANS

The Federal Reserve Bank of New York reported business loans at principal New York banks increased \$152 million last week as against a decline of \$50 million in the previous week. Total New York City Bank's outstanding last week stood at \$11,245,000,000, a decline of \$455 million since Jan. 1.

Leading economic analysts concurred that the recession has now reached about the same proportions as the first two post-war slumps — 1940 and 1953-54 — and that it will stay within those limits. They also seem to agree that most of the bad news is already in. They saw signs of encouragement in a slow-down of the decline in machinery, a stop in the decline in steel and aircraft and an actual turnup in the output of apparel and paper goods.

Standard Poor's weekly analysis said "the present business situation is one in which expansion is exceeding production. How long this process will require to reduce inventories to the point at which accelerating liquidation is no longer a business depressant will largely determine timing of the absolute low of this recession."

## ENCOURAGEMENT

Those looking for encouragement, could find it in the firming last week of used car prices — the first time in many months of a very soft slump last as consumers continue to buy as they did up to now.

Volume of all retail stores was better in January than in any month during last year's fourth quarter which included Christmas. It was four per cent higher than a year ago and came close to last year's best levels. Actually durable goods were some 2 per cent off but non-durables were up seven per cent and almost 12 per cent above a year ago.

Consumer prices, too, behaved out of line. They hit an all-

## US COTTON MARKET REVIEW

New York, Mar. 2. All basic textile markets groped along in a listless fashion this past week. Users of cotton, wool, rayon, silk, burlap, and hemp found no reason to change the long-standing policy of buying just the amount they need and just at the time they want it.

The rayon, synthetic fibres and silk dressmaking industries became disrupted by the threat of an industry-wide strike. If the tie-up materializes, merchants fear it would have "a serious effect" on all fabric business, including converters, cutters, mills, dyers, finishers, truckers and spinners. It would strangle chances for getting out the balance of spring business, traders feared.

## EXTENDED

Cotton textiles extended the trading stalemate dating back to mid-November. Apparatus buyers limited commitments to the fill-in variety. Users of industrial fabrics covered against orders in hand — nothing else.

The hikes in retail sales and consumer prices were accompanied by an 0.4 per cent drop in the purchasing power of the dollar since December.

Steel, the economy's most faithful if somewhat long-term barometer, still swallowed on what it considered. Last year's output was actually the lowest since Christmas. But this was a result of the heavy snow drop and the following freeze over most of the country.

Iron Age, the industry's organ, actually reported a slight pick-up in orders. This was "nothing to get excited about," it cautioned, and probably will not be reflected in a higher steel operating rate for some weeks.

One development that spoke against such hopes was a drop in the price of scrap steel which has been holding firm for many weeks. Chicago reported a drop of \$3 a ton in primary grade scrap — back to the \$37 a ton where it was at the start of this month.

Sign of the times: Hotel occupancy all over the country hit the lowest level in 16 years; a survey showed room occupancy at the end of 1957 and the start of 1958 was 70 per cent, the smallest since 1941. Hotel managers say lowered attendance at business conventions was particularly blamed for this. —United Press.

## BOMBAY BULLION MARKET

Bombay, Mar. 1. After remaining depressed on a lack of support for the most part, the silver market in the week to February 28 staged a rally under renewed bull grip following the tightness of supplies.

Stocks of silver at the end of the period amounted to 700 bars with offtake 16 bars daily.

After a disappointing start, gold took a definite turn for the better under renewed support from spot houses.

Sentiment was aided by better than expected spot demand, particularly from upcountry.

Stocks at the end of the period amounted to 16,000 tons.

Arrivals were 3,000 and offtake 8,000 tons. —China Mail Special.

## Zurich Gold Market

Zurich, Mar. 1. Prices were steady in quiet dealings in the market for gold bars during the week ended February 27.

Sale by the Bank of England were still limited.

Demand from the Middle and Far East was fairly active, but was reasonably low from South America.

In gold coins, the market continued very quiet but prices were generally held.

The net rate of interest earned was 4.75%.

The mortality rate was favourable and the Company's surplus funds now amount to £21,000,000.

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## New York Stock Market Review

By ELMER WALZER

New York, Mar. 2. Poor earnings reports including a January loss of nearly 4 million for New York Central put railroad stocks down during the past week on the stock market.

Other sections managed to move up slightly so that on average the market barely changed, and volume sank to a new low since last October 4.

Losses outnumbered gains by 31 to 23 while 105 issues held unchanged out of the 3,370 traded. A total of 44 managed to set new highs while 42 made new lows.

A series of dividend reductions, particularly in the copper and steel group, the poor rail reports and some lower corporation earnings statements plus business declines brought many to the side-lines. The market was never under any pressure and at times it showed strength despite the adverse news.

## SALES

Sales for the week totalled only 8,022,500 shares, a daily average of 1,724,516 shares against 1,840,209 shares daily a week ago.

At the close on Friday the industrial average at 439.62 was up 0.39 on the week; rail 102.65 up 0.26; utility 72.49 up 0.56; and 65 stocks 149.85 up 0.35.

For the month of February industrials lost 10.10 points, rails in January and 37,575,140 in February 1957 and brought the total for the first two months to 90,069,068 shares against 85,130,096 in 1957 which was one-day down from 1958 on last Saturday to below 2.81 on Wednesday, and recovering sharply to 2.814 on Saturday.

The stock turnover has been modest.

The clearest single movement in the week was the steady demand for British government stocks.

Old Consols were wanted and rose 12/6 to £49, compared with their 1957-58 low of £45. Railway Nationalisation stock climbed 10/- and War Loan 7/6.

Fractionally all the blue chip industrials recovered somewhat from their mid-week lows, but this still left most of them below their levels of a week ago.

Buying gold shares—an old, old practice in troubled times—came into fashion this past week, lifting the veteran Anglo-American 7/6 and others 2/- shillings.

Royal Dutch closed unchanged, but Shell Transport old stock lost 3/- and British Petroleum 2/-.

Germanys were weak, with the non-assenteds of both the Davis and Young Loans down 22/2 and their assenteds down 1 1/2 and 22. Japanese were strong, with the non-assenteds gaining from 2 1/4 (1924) to 21 (1905) and the Tokyo 5 1/4 per cent down to 2 1/4 sterling.

Most of the assenteds were up by 2 1/2 to 21.

Dollar stocks closed almost the same as a week ago; their premium was unchanged at 8 1/4 per cent. —United Press.

## NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

New York, Mar. 2. The upward movement in new crop cotton futures, under way since late January gathered momentum this past week, sweeping well beyond the 36-cent line before the market met stiffening resistance.

At Friday's close the list ruled 10 to 28 points—80 cents to \$1.40 a bale, higher than the preceding week.

Price-lifting power was generated by three factors: 1. Possibilities for big cuts in the acreage this year under the soil bank programme; 2. Diminishing chances for action to increase acreage allotments in time to affect the 1958 crop; 3. Possibilities for a higher government loan rate.

The total of benefits paid since the incorporation of the Company in 1907 now exceeds £175,000,000.

The Company reports that the new business total of £138,002,010 was also an all-time record. Business in force now totals £932,370,357.

Assets held in trust for payment of future policy benefits now total £272,024,057.

Government and government guaranteed bonds constituted 11% of assets, while corporation and municipal bonds totalled 40%; mortgages made up 24% of assets; preferred and common stocks 8%; cash and other assets amounted to 12%.

The net rate of interest earned was 4.75%.

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## HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Our Own Correspondent

Business done on the Hong Kong Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$567,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions were:

Shares Buyers Sellers Sales

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UNICORNS ..... 100 0 102.50

SHIPPING ..... 625 0 30 500 0 625

WHEELOCK ..... 120 0 125

DOCKS, ETC. ..... 84.50 85.50

DOCK ..... 120 0 125

PROVIDENT ..... 12.10

LAND, ETC. ..... 16.10 16.20

HK HOTELS ..... 100 0 102.50

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HK LAND ..... 33.50 33.75

100 0 132.50

HUMPHREYS ..... 14.00

REALLY ..... 1.35 1.40

5000 0 132.50

RUBBER ..... 1225 1225

2000 0 122.50

TRUST ..... 1.20

UTILITIES ..... 24.50 24.50

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## Church World Service Executive

Arriving at Kai Tak Airport on Saturday morning will be the Rev. R. Norris Wilson, DD, of New York City, who is the Executive Director of Church World Service.

This organization is the Relief and Welfare Department of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States and carries on an extensive programme for refugees and other needy people in this Colony.

Accompanying Dr Wilson will be Mr Fletcher Coates of the NCCC Public Relations Office. Both men are making a tour through the Orient and the Middle East to observe and study refugee problems and programmes around the world, and will give special attention to projects sponsored by CWS.

Since Hongkong is the scene of one of the Service's largest operations they plan an unburdened nine or ten day stop-over in the Colony. They will visit not only CWS projects but will inspect the relief operations voluntary agencies as well.

## MAIL NOTICES

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By Air  
Pakistan, Europe, 8 p.m.  
Formosa, Japan, 8 p.m.  
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By Surface  
Macao, 8 p.m.

**TUESDAY, MARCH 4**  
By Air  
Peking, Shanghai, Kunming, Hainan, Hainan, 8:30 a.m.  
Malaya, Indonesia, Ceylon, India, Middle East & Great Britain, Middle Australia, New Zealand, 1 p.m.  
Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 1 p.m.  
Canada, U.S.A., 8 p.m.  
Korea, 8 p.m.  
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China, People's Republic, 8 a.m.  
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Canada, 2 p.m.  
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Macao, 8 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5**  
By Surface  
China, People's Republic, 8 a.m.  
Macao, 1 p.m.  
Italy, France, Belgium, Netherlands & Germany (Belgium, Parcels via France), 2 p.m.  
Cambodia, 2 p.m.  
Macao, 8 p.m.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 6**  
By Surface  
China, People's Republic, 8 a.m.  
Macao, 1 p.m.  
Australia, New Zealand, 1 p.m.  
Malaya, West Australia, Parcels via Fremantle, 2 p.m.  
India, Iraq (P. Gulf Ports, Parcels via Kuwait), 3 p.m.  
Macao, 8 p.m.

**FRIDAY, MARCH 7**  
By Surface  
China, People's Republic, 8 a.m.  
Macao, 1 p.m.  
New Zealand, 1 p.m.  
Malaya, West Australia, Parcels via Fremantle, 2 p.m.  
India, Iraq (P. Gulf Ports, Parcels via Kuwait), 3 p.m.  
Macao, 8 p.m.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 8**  
By Surface  
China, People's Republic, 8 a.m.  
Formosa, 1 p.m.  
Indo-China, Thailand, 1 p.m.  
Malaya, Burma, India, 2 p.m.  
Netherlands, Germany (Belgium Parcels via Marseilles), 3 p.m.  
Africa, South Africa, Brazil, Argentina, Parcels Direct (N. & S. Rhodesia & Nyasaland Parcels via L. Marques), 3 p.m.  
Macao, 8 p.m.  
China, People's Republic, 8 p.m.

## RECITALS FOR BLIND CHILDREN

Miss Irene Liao is giving two vocal recitals for the benefit of the Hongkong Music Training Centre for the Blind this evening at the Loke Yew Hall and on Wednesday at the Queen Elizabeth School, Kowloon.

A committee of 60 energetic ladies are organising this concert and pushing the sale of tickets. Due to the over-enthusiasm of the ladies, the house might have been oversold. The holders of tickets are urged to book their seats at either the Tsang Fook Piano Co. or the Tom Lee Piano Co., Kowloon, in order not to be disappointed at the door. If no seats are available money will be refunded.

Besides singing arias, lullabies and Chinese folk songs, Miss Liao will sing the obbligato to a four-part chorus by the blind pupils called "The morrow shall be thought for the things of itself." This is a very befitting song for the blind pupils for although they possess almost nothing in the world—many of them do not even know their own names—they are happy and contented in their music.

Another outstanding feature of this concert is that all the expenses are underwritten by interested friends of the Music Training Centre.—R.A.B.

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## DRUMRIGHT LEAVES FOR TAIPEI

Mr Everett F. Drumright, former American Consul-General in Hongkong, who was recently appointed Ambassador to Taipei, left the Colony for Taiwan with his wife by special aircraft this morning.

Earlier, at Queen's Pier, the couple were seen off by many members of the community. These included the Hon. Ngan Shing-kwan, Dr H. Dittmann (German Consul-General and Doyen of the Consular Corps), the Hon. Mr Justice J. R. Gregg, Mr H. M. Sperry, Mr J. G. O'Donnell, Mr T. Dillon, Mr G. T. Harden, Mr A. de O. Soles, Mr C. S. Wang, Mr K. K. Tse, Mr G. Lin, and members of the staff of the American Consulate.

In a statement Mr Drumright said:

"During the past three and a quarter years when it has been my privilege to serve as United States Consul-General in Hongkong, it has been a great pleasure for both Mrs. Drumright and me to renew old acquaintances from former years. In China and to make new friends within the Hongkong Government, the Consular Corps and in the community.

"During my tour here I have been able to observe the growth of Hongkong in the building of new factories, multi-storey housing and the growing tourist trade.

### IMPRESSED

"I have been particularly impressed with the way in which the Hongkong Government and the volunteer agencies have tackled and made good progress in coping with the vast refugee problem.

"I have great admiration for the enterprise shown in all fields by the people and Government of Hongkong. The hard work of business groups and government officials has made it possible for Hongkong to maintain its important place in the realm of world trade.

"In leaving the Colony, Mrs. Drumright and I would like to thank all our friends for the hospitality rendered, the friendliness shown by all and for making it possible to gather many pleasant memories of our tour in Hongkong.

The door to our home in Taipei will always be open to visitors from Hongkong."

## Hollywood's Biggest Funeral For Harry Cohn

Hollywood, Mar. 2. Harry Cohn, head of Columbia Pictures, was buried today after lying in state on a sound stage of his vast studio which comedian Danny Kaye described in an eulogy as "Harry Cohn's cathedral."

It was the biggest funeral in the history of the film capital. About 1,500 people attended in the non-denominational rites in a setting where flowers were arranged 12 feet high for 100 yards.

Danny Kaye said in the eulogy:

"Without irreverence, this was Harry Cohn's cathedral. This is where he lived and worked and dreamed, and this is where his energies, ambitions and visions gave reality to these dreams."

"This is where the flames that was within him burned some and warmed others."

Stars mingled with carpenters, electricians, bit players and other studio employees. Among those present were Mr Cohn's latest star, Kim Novak, with Tony Curtis, George Raft, James Stewart, Dick Powell, Loretta Young, Rosalind Russell, Pat O'Brien and Shirley Winters.

Burial was in Hollywood cemetery—Rader.

### Question Of Fact

"It is a question of fact for you whether the accused pushed the deceased into the sea, the Jury would have no doubt that the accused was responsible for his death, he said. If the Jury found that after the wounding, the deceased tried to stand up and then fell into the sea, the Jury might be satisfied beyond reasonable doubt that it was as a result of the wounding that caused the deceased fall into the sea. "But it is of course a matter entirely for you," His Lordship said.

Mr Stanley represented the Hongkong Tourist Association at the 1958 Conference of the Pacific Air Travel Association held at Santa Barbara and he said it was a very satisfactory conference. He added that it was hoped that the 1959 meeting would be held in Hongkong.

### IN EUROPE

Mr Stanley said he had studied tourist problems in Europe and he would have to do the same before he could form any immediate plans for the development of the tourist trade.

However, he said, one way of developing it is to advertise the beauty of this island in overseas by brochures, photographs and films.

Mr Stanley was met at the airport by Mr Jerry O'Donnell, Director of PAA, Far East, and also a member of the Hongkong Tourist Association Board.

### Pen Pals Wanted

An American teacher would like to exchange view postcards, stamps, first day covers, teaching ideas and techniques and drawings made by school children. C. Wade Cuddeback (Mr.), of 2138, East 39th Street, Antioch, Ohio, USA.

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THE twelfth annual Kowloon Marathon race under the auspices of St. Andrew's Club and open to all Europeans of the Colony and members of the Club, will be held on Monday, March 20, starting from St. Andrew's Church, Nathan Road, at 4:30 p.m. sharp. The course extends over a distance of about 3/4 miles.

London: Lord Langford appeared in the West London Police Court on a warrant for arrears of maintenance totalling £200, due under an order for £2 per week which was obtained by Lord Langford in January, 1957. He told the magistrate that he could not pay. "I wish I could," he added. "I have no means and no job."

THAT the work of Government Department is extending steadily is evidenced by the additions to the group of offices above Battery Path which now houses the Building Ordinance and Crown Land Offices, Waterworks Department and Survey. Three of the former doors are being extended by the addition of one large room 20 feet by 44 feet. The Survey Department on the top floor, will remain as at present.

New York: The appointment of the first woman ever to hold a Presidential cabinet post in the history of the United States was announced today (February 28). The honor has fallen upon Miss Frances Perkins, who has been appointed Secretary of the Labour Department in the Roosevelt Administration.

LAST evening (March 1) the local St. David's Society celebrated St. David's Day, the celebrations taking the form of a dinner-dance at Lane Crawford's restaurant. A number of songs in Welsh and in English were rendered by the South Wales Borderers' male voice choir. Among those at the official table were Mr. K. E. Craig (Chieftain of St. Andrew's Society), Mr. H. B. D. Dwyer (President of St. George's Society), Mr. F. A. Redmond (President of St. Patrick's Society), and the Hon. W. T. Southgate (Colonial Secretary).

The Hongkong Government has consented to the acquisition of additional land at Repulse Bay by the Hongkong Realty and Trust Company and an Easter Lido is forecast as a result of improvements the company hopes to complete by the summer of 1954.

FOR the purpose of raising funds for the opening of a new dispensary for the benefit of the inhabitants of Alberta, members of the St. Mary's Girls' Association, comprising old pupils of St. Mary's School, Chatham Road, Kowloon, have been presenting a play entitled "In the Shadow of the Guillotine" in the school hall during the past week.

The new British submarine, HMS Rainbow, of 1,475 tons surface displacement, left Portsmouth last month on its 10,000 miles voyage to China for the purpose of replacing the ill-fated Poseidon, which was lost in 1951.

PORTRUGAL's oldest woman, Madama Rosaria Llimella, died last week aged 117. Senhora Llimella achieved fame in the mid-life of the last century as the mistress of Portugal's most famous bandit, Brando, who terrorised the country for number of years. Later she appeared on a music hall stage and related her experiences as a bandit bride, remaining popular until an advanced age.

Invitations have been issued by the Portuguese Co. of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps to their annual dinner dance at the Club, Lane Crawford, on Friday, March 10, at 7:30 p.m. Ladies are invited only to the dance which commences at 9:30 p.m.

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Manila, Mar. 3.

President Carlos Garcia yesterday authorised the Foreign Affairs Secretary, Feliberto Serrano, to vote for the grant of complete freedom to 10 major Japanese war criminals already paroled but without full citizenship rights. —France Press.

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